

EXHIBIT 4

1 prosecutor like, "I have no reason to believe that this guy
2 is a hands-on abuser." That's, that's the people that
3 we're, you know, we're trying to go after.

4 MR. SANDERS: Yeah.

5 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: But I don't think that's
6 you.

7 MR. SANDERS: Yeah.

8 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Is that, is that you?

9 MR. SANDERS: No.

10 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Okay. All right, I just
11 wanted to -- I don't want to --

12 MR. SANDERS: In fact, like, I mean I -- since
13 you have that flash drive, I mean --

14 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Yeah, I --

15 MR. SANDERS: -- I guess you're going to see
16 what's on it. The -- I'm just going to say like, I don't
17 like some of things that are on there.

18 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Okay.

19 MR. SANDERS: Some files that are on there, it's
20 like, when I downloaded something it came in like a, like a
21 package almost.

22 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Mm-hmm. Like a zip file?

23 MR. SANDERS: Yeah.

24 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Got it.

25 MR. SANDERS: So there's some things there that

1 like, are really like, disgusting to me.

2 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Yeah.

3 MR. SANDERS: I mean, all -- okay.

4 SPECIAL AGENT OBIE: Just speak.

5 MR. SANDERS: Some -- okay. I don't want this to
6 sound bad on the, on the recording. But like, if someone's
7 like, 16 or something, I mean, that's the age of consent in
8 several states, like --

9 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Mm-hmm. It's still a kid,
10 but go ahead.

11 SPECIAL AGENT OBIE: Just speak freely.

12 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Yeah.

13 SPECIAL AGENT OBIE: Right?

14 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Mm-hmm.

15 MR. SANDERS: You know, like in many states it
16 would be legal to do something with -- not saying it's
17 right or wrong --

18 SPECIAL AGENT OBIE: Right.

19 MR. SANDERS: -- I'm just saying like, that's
20 very different to a degree in my mind than like --

21 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Like tiny tots.

22 MR. SANDERS: Like a tiny -- yeah.

23 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Yes. Yeah.

24 MR. SANDERS: I think that, that like in some of
25 those like, zip files, there may have been some like,

1 younger, so -- which I really don't like and --

2 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Yeah.

3 MR. SANDERS: -- like don't want. But it like,
4 it's part of the zip files.

5 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: It's part of the, the --
6 that's not what you were looking for, but it's part of the
7 package.

8 MR. SANDERS: Exactly.

9 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Makes sense.

10 MR. SANDERS: So it's like, not what I'd ever go
11 after.

12 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Got it.

13 MR. SANDERS: But like, it just came with it and
14 like, wouldn't necessarily know it was part of that until
15 it downloaded.

16 SPECIAL AGENT OBIE: So when you like, extracted
17 the zip file --

18 MR. SANDERS: Mm-hmm.

19 SPECIAL AGENT OBIE: -- to get the actual -- get
20 to the actual content, would you download that to your
21 laptop and then put it to that -- your speed drive or what?

22 MR. SANDERS: Download and unzip.

23 SPECIAL AGENT OBIE: Like what, what -- where,
24 where would the content go? Would it be on this computer
25 and then you put it in your --

1 MR. SANDERS: For a little while it was on here.

2 SPECIAL AGENT OBIE: Okay.

3 MR. SANDERS: And then I wanted to kind of just
4 be done with all of it --

5 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Mm-hmm.

6 MR. SANDERS: -- after a while. And then I just
7 put it on a flash drive, moved it all onto there, wiped it
8 off the computer, kind of deleted everything -- files.
9 Sanitized the computer and --

10 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Did you, did you go on Tor
11 to get this -- the child porn? Like it's kind of hard for
12 me to believe that somebody stumbles upon this stuff on Tor
13 because it's very -- I wouldn't say it's very
14 sophisticated, but people go on Tor because they don't want
15 to be found.

16 MR. SANDERS: Mm-hmm.

17 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: And, and I know -- and I
18 know through years of doing this --

19 MR. SANDERS: Yeah.

20 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: -- that maybe in some
21 groups, they're like, they'll say, "Hey, go to this site on
22 Tor because it has fresh content," or "It has this." It's
23 -- it's very hard for me to believe -- and I want to
24 believe you.

25 MR. SANDERS: Okay.

1 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: But it's very hard for me to
2 believe that you just stumbled upon this.

3 SPECIAL AGENT OBIE: Particularly because you
4 said you previously got child porn on Kik.

5 MR. SANDERS: Yeah. So like when I was younger,
6 like I was sent something on, on Kik and like, saw things
7 on Kik. And then -- I don't want to use the word like
8 interest, but like --

9 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Curious?

10 MR. SANDERS: -- you know, so then I like went to
11 Tor to like, look at it.

12 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Mm-hmm.

13 SPECIAL AGENT OBIE: Okay.

14 MR. SANDERS: I mean, the first time I was on Tor
15 I was just -- the very first time I was on Tor I was just
16 like, looking just around Tor, like what Tor did. Then
17 like, a little later, I was like, you know, "Well I wonder
18 if this is there?" And kind -- and after I'd seen it, I
19 kind of went, you know, looked at something.

20 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Yeah.

21 MR. SANDERS: And then, you know, like generally
22 stay off of it. But like, every like, occasional so often,
23 kind --

24 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: You'd go on there.

25 MR. SANDERS: -- of just like, see what is -- was

1 going on.

2 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: That's, that's fine.

3 MR. SANDERS: But like I don't --

4 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Have you ever, have you ever
5 uploaded anything to --

6 MR. SANDERS: Never.

7 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: So I know there's certain
8 sites on Topic Links that you have to --

9 SPECIAL AGENT OBIE: You have to --

10 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: -- in order to get access to
11 the group to the --

12 MR. SANDERS: Never.

13 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: -- closed content --

14 MR. SANDERS: I would never look -- I'd go -- if
15 I click on one of those sites and I saw that, I'd be like,
16 "No." Because I never wanted this to happen.

17 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Yeah, but why -- but before
18 I, before I joined the FBI --

19 MR. SANDERS: Yeah.

20 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: -- I knew nothing about
21 like, if I upload something this could happen. So --

22 MR. SANDERS: Well because I saw like, on one of
23 the sites, like, people were talking about like, I guess
24 like, protecting your computer, whatever.

25 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Mm-hmm.

1 MR. SANDERS: I don't -- I didn't really do
2 anything, but I guess -- you know, I just didn't want to
3 upload anything, because it's like, I didn't want to be
4 part of it, but like I was curious to see some of it.

5 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Mm-hmm, mm-hmm. So --

6 MR. SANDERS: So like, anything I had, you know,
7 I, you know, might like, look at. But I'd never --

8 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: So you --

9 MR. SANDERS: -- I had never sent anything to
10 anyone.

11 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Okay.

12 MR. SANDERS: I've never --

13 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: So I, I can --

14 MR. SANDERS: -- uploaded anything.

15 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: -- I can go on your phone
16 and I can look at everything and I would never see not one
17 instance of you --

18 MR. SANDERS: You can look at every message I
19 have sent to every person and you will never see me send --

20 SPECIAL AGENT FORD: Okay.

21 MR. SANDERS: -- absolutely anything.

22 SPECIAL AGENT OBIE: Is that because you cleared
23 it and you wiped it --

24 MR. SANDERS: No.

25 SPECIAL AGENT OBIE: -- and you were --